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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of the period for response to the Office Action, mailed March 14, 2003, i.e., up to and including August 14, 2003.

Enclosed herewith is a check for \$300.00 in payment of the fee set forth in Section 1.17(a) for a two-month extension under Section 1.136(a), 37 C.F.R. A fee of \$110.00 for a one-month extension of time was previously paid with the Amendment After Final Action filed July 14, 2003. The balance of \$300.00 for the requested two-month extension of the term is paid herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in this Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0320. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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